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Meetings this week:

Planning Board, July 28, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on

Friday, July 24, 2015



Expanded City Hall hours begin Monday, Aug. 3

City Hall offices will be open Monday through Friday beginning Monday, Aug. 3, 2015.

City Hall is currently open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The current hours will remain the same. In addition, City Hall offices, including the City Clerk and Tax Collector offices, will be open on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In May, the City Council adopted a fiscal year 2016 budget

Tuesday, July 28, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the agenda, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

City Council, July 29, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click here</u>.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.



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City Hall hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. that included funding for the additional hours at City Hall.



City of Dover launches live streaming of Channel 22

Dover's governmental access television channel, Channel 22, is now available as a <u>live stream</u>. The live stream allows anyone to view live programming from Channel 22 on a computer or a variety of <u>mobile devices</u>. The live stream can be <u>accessed here</u> on the City's website. This page also includes a programming guide for the day.

In addition to live streaming, the City continues to offer ondemand viewing of programming from Channels 22 and 95. All of the City's on-demand content can be found on the page above or by <u>clicking here</u>.



Recycling Center hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Learn more about the high School and CTC building project online

On Monday, July 20, the School Board passed a resolution to support the construction of a new high school and Career Technical Center. A public hearing on the project preceded the vote. The City Council will hold a public hearing on the project Aug. 12, before voting on funding the project later that month.

More information about the high school and CTC building project, including the most recent cost estimates, can be found at the project's <u>online resource here</u>.



Cochecho Arts Festival this week:

The Cochecho Arts Festival continues this week. The annual festival comprises the Children's Series on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., the Farmer's Market performances on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m., Shark in the Park concerts on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m., and the Headliner Series on Friday nights at 6 p.m. In addition, the Festival includes Shakespeare on the Hill on Sundays.

Upcoming performances are:

• Friday, July 24, 6 p.m., Boogaloo Swamis with Gretchen and the Pickpockets (Sponsored by

Beacon Financial), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park;

- Tuesday, July 28, 10:30 a.m., What's All the ComOCEAN? (Sponsored by Measured Progress), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park;
- Wednesday, July 29, 3:30 p.m., David Garlitz (Sponsored by Dupont's Service Center), Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, 550 Central Ave.;
- Wednesday, July 29, 6 p.m., By Request (Sponsored by 102.1 & 105.3 The Shark), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park.

All Cochecho Arts Festival events are free to attend and open to the public.

The festival is organized by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, click here.



John Huff/Foster's Daily Democrat

Experts offer free car seat safety checks this Saturday

Four out of five car seats are installed incorrectly. Could yours be one of them?

On Saturday, July 25, nationally certified child passenger safety technicians will be available to inspect your child's car seat installation and answer any questions that you have, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The safety checks will be held in the parking lot of OPTIONS, 65 Main St., Dover.

As a parent or caregiver, you should be confident that your child's seat is installed correctly. We would like to help YOU to be as comfortable as possible installing and using it correctly.

Appointments are preferred, but not required. Call 603-749-4441 to reserve a specific time with a technician. Expectant parents are also welcome.

Refreshments will be provided, and all services are offered at no charge.

You should bring:

- Your vehicle and its owner's manual
- Your car seat(s) and car seat manual
- Your child or children (to see how they fit their car seat)

These safety checks are presented by:

- Options, 65 Main Street, Dover, NH 603-749-4441
- Barrington Police Department, 774 Franklin Pierce Highway, Barrington, NH 603-664-7679
- Barrington Fire Department, 774 Franklin Pierce Highway, Barrington, NH 603-664-2241
- Dover Police Department, 46 Locust St., Dover NH 603-742-4646

NHDOT starts drainage rehabilitation work on Spaulding Turnpike in Dover

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) has started work associated with a Turnpikes drainage rehabilitation project at various locations, including the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover.

This project involves repairs to outlet/inlet pipes, culvert headwalls, and the placement of stone fill. The work will take place from approximately 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The majority of the work will require shoulder closures and will have minimal impacts to the traveling public.

Busby Construction Co., Inc. of Atkinson, New Hampshire is the general contractor for this \$500,000 project, which is scheduled to be completed by September 25, 2015.

Open Lands Committee to host Wildlife Walk July 29

The Dover Open Lands Committee will host a sunset walking tour of the Bellamy Wildlife Management Area on Wednesday, July 29, from 6 to 8 p.m.

This family friendly Wildlife Walk will feature University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension specialist Emma Carcagno, who will share the secrets to creating a healthy home for the wildlife that live in this special place.

The group will gather at the Bellamy trailhead off of Garrison Road and start the tour promptly at 6 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Families are welcome, but it is preferred that pets stay home for this event. Please dress appropriately for the weather.

Please RSVP to City Planner Steve Bird at s.bird@dover.nh.gov or 603-516-6008. Registered attendees will be contacted in the event of a weather related cancellation. Event updates will be posted on the Dover Open Lands Committee Facebook page: www.facebook.com/DoverOpenLandsCommittee.

Directions to the Bellamy Wildlife Management Area: From Route 108 (Durham Road), near Sawyer Mill Apartments in Dover, head south on Back River Road for approximately 1.6 miles. Turn left on Rabbit Road, right on Old Garrison Road, the left at the sign to the Wildlife Management Area.

The Dover Open Lands Committee consists of local volunteers and city staff who work with willing landowners to conserve Dover's important natural and cultural resources. These resources include drinking water supplies, farm and forest lands, critical fish and wildlife habitat, and the preservation of our community's character for current and future generations to enjoy.

For more information about the Open Lands Committee, call the Planning Department at 603-516-6008 or e-mail Steve Bird at s.bird@dover.nh.gov.



Silver Street open to one-way traffic during construction

Silver Street (NH Route 9) will be a one-way street, inbound (easterly) only, from the intersection with Arch Street and Towle Avenue to the intersection with Central Avenue (NH Route 108). This pattern will be in effect at all times of the day, every day, through at least the end of September.

The suggested detour route for passenger cars from downtown will be via Washington Street to Arch Street. The intersection of Washington/Arch Streets will be converted to a three-way stop during this project in order to help safely process the extra traffic. The secondary detour (truck route) will be via Central Avenue to the Spaulding Turnpike.

For more information, visit the Silver Street Reconstruction Project page <u>here</u> or contact Community Services at 516-6450.

Exit 5 northbound ramps closed for Spaulding Turnpike construction

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation has closed the Exit 5 northbound ramps on the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover for several months. Portable concrete barriers will be used at Exit 5 to close off the existing on and off ramps. The Exit 5 ramps will reopen later this summer.

A northbound traffic shift will allow for the construction of the new northbound tie-in from the Little Bay Bridge to the existing northbound lanes north of Exit 5. The Exit 5 ramps will be reconstructed to match the new alignment.

Motorists needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park will be directed northbound to Exit 6W, and to a detour back to Boston Harbor Road and under the new Little Bay Bridge to get from the west side to the east side of the Turnpike. Southbound traffic needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park, will be able to use Exit 6S and proceed to the signals at US Route 4/Boston Harbor Road.

Detour signs will be erected to show the new traffic pattern. Fire, emergency vehicles and school buses will need to use the detour. Boaters wishing to launch at Hilton Park should also take notice of this planned ramp closure and detour.

For more information, contact NHDOT at 603-271-3734.



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at

http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm.



July 28, 1665 - The treasurer was ordered to pay for the killing of a wolf in the year 1663, "as appeareth in a note under the Constable's hands, in the hands of John Hall, Deacon, under the selectmen's hands," the money to go to the said John Hall, Deacon, and fifteen other persons, each to receive an equal portion. As the price for killing a wolf was but 5 pounds. The share of each could not have been large, though it was very proper, as the town had given its note for the amount, that the same should be paid.



July 20, 1837 - Died, Deborah Coffin, the oldest person in town, having been baptized Sept. 17, 1738, She was born in the house on Central street which stood on the high bank which was dug away to make room for Varney's block, and in which her ancestors lived until the great earthquake in 1755 shook down the chimney. Her great grandfather was Peter Coffin, whose garrison stood on the spot where she was born, and whose house and mills were burnt when Major Waldron was killed by the Indians in 1689. It was a tradition of the family that when the Indians entered his garrison four of his hired men attempted to put them out, but the family prevented them believing they could trust the Indians. The Indians murdered the four hired men, but spared all the family. Her father had ten children, the eighth of whom was Deborah. She remembered that when she was young and the women went out to milk, a man went with them with a gun, for fear of the Indians. Much of the land on Washington street, granted originally to Peter Cffin, remained in the family until "Aunt Deborah's" death.



July 26, 1696 - The people of Dover were waylaid as they were returning from the public worship, when three were killed, three wounded, and three carried to Penobscot, from whence they soon found their way home. The persons killed were Nicholas Otis, Mary Downs and Mary Jones; those wounded were Richard Otis, Anthony Lowden and Experience Heard; those captured were John Tucker, Nicholas Otis, Jr. and Judith Ricker. As these persons all appear to have lived between Waldron's garrison and Garrison Hill, it is probable that the attack was between the upper falls and the brow of the hill before reaching Otis' Garrison.



July 27, 1761 - The committee for building the new meeting house having complained that the money for that purpose had not been fully paid them, that many persons who had agreed to do so, by the purchase of pew privileges, had neglected it. A town meeting was held at which the committee for examining their accounts made report that the whole amount expended was 11,248 pounds. The report was accepted and the building committee was empowered to sue those men who owe money towards building the house.



July 28, 1824 - The proprietors of the Cochecho River Boat Co. held their first meeting for the choice of officers. At the June session of the Legislature, petitions were presented for a charter to build a canal, or railway from Winnipesaukee Lake to Dover; also for the purpose of plying ferry boats to be moved by horse power across the river from Dover Point to Newington.



July 24, 1843 - At a town meeting held in the new Town Hall, the town voted to convey to the County of Strafford, the use of the Court Room with the necessary rooms for County Officers, Jury Rooms, etc., so long as the Court shall sit in Dover, upon the payment of \$3,000.

Summer reading programs for all ages under way at the library

"Every Hero has a Story", a five-week reading program for

children in grades K-6 (and a special preschool program, too), is now under way and will continue through Tuesday, Aug. 4. The program is designed to encourage children to make reading an important part of their summer activities.

Registration continues for the duration of the program.

Dover Public Library card holders (including non-resident borrowers) are welcome to sign up for the program.

Children must come to the library in person to register and receive their booklets or folders and a voucher for a FREE ticket to a Portland Seadogs baseball game.

Children will then return with their booklets or reading logs (after recording books/minutes read) to earn stickers and prizes.

Besides reading, many exciting things will be happening during the five weeks of the program. "Drop-in" story times will be conducted every Wednesday at 10 a.m.; the "Creation Station" in the Children's Room will have a supply of materials all day, every day for children to make a craft project to take home; LEGO Saturdays will be held all day on July 27 and Aug. 1.

Children are invited to "Paws for Reading" with Murphy. Murphy, a certified therapy dog, and her handler, Karen, will be in the Children's Room on Saturday, July 18 from 10-11 a.m. Murphy loves a good story but needs someone to read it to her. If you are interested in helping Murphy and in practicing reading aloud, sign up ahead of time or drop by for a visit and a chance to read.

In addition to the above programs, the library's Monday Movies will feature free movies in the Lecture Hall every Monday afternoon at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Feel free to bring your own refreshments.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

- Batman: Mask of the Phantasm, July 27, rated PG
- Home, August 3, rated PG

"Unmask" is the theme of the Teen Summer Reading

Program which runs until Aug. 4. All participants may choose to read whatever they enjoy-novels, magazines, graphic novels, comic books, nonfiction. For every two hours of reading completed, participants will be given a raffle ticket-and will get to choose on which prize to bid. Some of the great prizes that will be offered throughout the five-week program-gift certificates to local business, Target gift certificates, day passes to The Works, Regal Cinemas gift cards, passes for Laser Tag at Funspot, a Kindle Fire HD7 and much more.

Middle school readers are eligible participate in both the Children's Program and the Teen Program (finish one, begin another). Drop by the library's adult circulation desk to sign up for the Teen Program, visit online at http://library.dover.nh.gov, or call 516-6050 for more information. The first 100 participants will receive a coupon for a free small cheese pizza from Weeksie's Pizza and the first 50 participants will receive a free book.

A celebration for all readers enrolled in the summer program and their families will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 4 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. After grabbing a snack and a drink, find a place on the lawn and enjoy the music and antics of The Toe Jam Puppet Band sponsored by The Friends of Dover Public Library. The Toe Jam Puppet Band offers a special brand of hands-on entertainment that children and grown-ups can enjoy. The performances encourage kids and parents to sing and dance along with the band as they entertain with a unique combination of original songs, masterful shadow puppetry, storytelling and just "plain old good fun".

Dover Public Library announces the 2015 Adult Summer Reading Program: Escape the Ordinary

"Escape the Ordinary" is the theme of Dover Public Library's 2015 Adult Summer Reading Program. Patrons are invited to try something new this summer - exploring heroes, superheroes, and other extraordinary people, places and events. Try a new genre, borrow a superhero DVD, honor local heroes, or take place in weekly trivia puzzles.

Registration is ongoing.

For more information, call the library at 603-516-6050, or check the library's <u>website</u> or <u>Facebook page</u>. Pick up a brochure about the program at the library.

CITY OF DOVER (3) SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? <u>Sign up now</u> to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

DID YOU KNOW?

Dover Chamber kicks off new season of historic walking tours

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will offer guided walking tours of historic Dover on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. this summer. The tours will be held through September.



Tours will depart from the Chamber, 550 Central Ave., and will travel downtown. Attendees will learn about the rise and fall of Dover's textile industry, "Dover's Black Day"

and famous visitors to Dover.

Dover is New Hampshire's oldest, continuos settlement.

Tours are \$8 per person, or \$5 per person for a family of four or more, with a maximum of \$20. These tours last approximately 90 minutes. A water bottle and sneakers are recommended.

New this year is an architectural tour, and returning for its second year is a tour of Pine Hill cemetery. The architectural tour meets at the Locust Street parking lot for St. Joseph's Church. The cost of this tour is also \$8 per person, or \$5 per person for a family of four or more, with a maximum of \$20.

The Pine Hill Cemetery tour must be reserved in advance. The cost of the cemetery tour is \$10 and meets at the Pine Hill Cemetery.

For more information or to make reservations, call (603) 742-2218.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open postions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

To see what positions the City is seeking to fill, click here.

Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit the City's website at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for upto-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the

Week by e-mail <u>here</u>.